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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: ECAC VIEWS ON IATA FARES PACKAGE

1. WE RECEIVED BY TELEX FEB. 12 FROM ECAC SECRETARIAT TEXT OF LETTER FROM ECAC PRESIDENT VERES WHICH WE ARE ASKED TO TRANSMIT TO ACTING CHAIRMAN O'MELIA OF THE CAB.

2. DOZ WAS AWARE THROUGH WIRE SERVICE REPORTS OF CAB WITHDRAWAL FEB. 11 OF ITS MINIMUM CHARTER RATE PROPOSALS, WHICH HAD OCCURRED AFTER VERES LETTER WAS APPROVED. HE WAS UNAWARE THAT APPARENTLY CAB HAS INDICATED READINESS, HOWEVER' RECEIVE COMMENTS FROM INTERESTED PARTIES UNTIL FEB. 26 ON WHAT SHOULD BE DONE ABOUT CHARTER RATES, AND AT HIS REQUEST WE SENT HIM COPY OF AP TICKER ITEM REPORTING THAT DETAIL.

3. DOZ STRESSED THAT ECAC ATTACHES TOP PRIORITY TO IMPLEMENTING SCHEDULED FARES PACKAGE. HE ADDED THAT LETTER'S REFERENCE TO IATA PACKAGE ESTABLISHING "STABLE REGIME...RELATED TO CHARTER PRICES" WAS ALLUSION TO SITUATION WHEREIN REDUCTION IN 22-45 DAY EXCURSION FARE AND INTRODUCTION OF APEX FARE HAD NARROWED THE GAP BETWEEN SCHEDULED FARES AND THOSE FOR ADVANCED BOOK CHARTERS; THIS WAS ONE OF MAIN REASONS WHY IATA PACKAGE WAS SO ATTRACTIVE TO ECAC.

4. ECAC PRESS RELEASE OF FEB. 12 ON SCHEDULED FARES AND CHARTER RATES REPORTED SEPTTEL.

5. TEXT OF VERES' LETTER IS AS FOLLOWS:

"DEAR MR. O'MELIA:

"WE BELIEVE IT HELPFUL TO INFORM YOU THAT THE DIRECTORS GENERAL OF CIVIL AVIATION OF ECAC MEMBER STATES NOTE WITH SATISFACTION THAT IATA HAS AT LAST REACHED AGREEMENT ON NORTH ATLANTIC SCHEDULED FARES TO COME INTO EFFECT FROM 1 APRIL 1975.

"THEY ARE UNANIMOUS IN BELIEVING THAT, WHATEVER DIFFERENCES OF OPINION THERE MAY BE ABOUT DETAILS OF THIS PACKAGE, THE MOST URGENT TASK BEFORE GOVERNMENTS IS TO ENSURE FROM 1 APRIL 1975 THE ESTABLISHMENT ON LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE NORTH ATLANTIC OF A STABLE REGIME OF SCHEDULED FARES WHICH IS RELATED TO CHARTER PRICES AND MOVES CLOSER TOWARDS THE OBJECTIVES THAT THE COUNTRIES ON BOTH SIDES OF THE ATLANTIC HAVE IN MIND. THEY FEEL THAT ANY ACTION WHICH COULD ENDANGER THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS PACKAGE SHOULD BE AVOIDED. "WE VERY MUCH HOPE THAT THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA WILL ADOPT A SIMILAR ATTITUDE. I SHALL BE

MOST GRATEFUL IF YOU CAN CONFIRM THIS AT YOUR
EARLIEST CONVENIENCE.

"I AM SENDING A SIMILAR MESSAGE TO MR. CLARK OF THE
CANADIAN TRANSPORT COMMISSION.

"V. VERES, PRESIDENT OF ECAC."

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